

Council Chamber, Nov. 17th, 1873.

The Board of Aldermen met ~~last night~~ in the Council Chamber, with the following members in attendance:—His Worship the Mayor presiding, and Aldermen McDonald, Cousins, Moffat, Smyth, Beattie, Starr, Leonard, Brown, Rapley, Shaw, Graydon, Cronyn, Christie, Partridge, Partridge, jun., Egan, McPhail, and Williams.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED.

From Mr. Jas. Bruce, on behalf of the Forest City Quickstep Club, asking the use of the hall for three assemblies; referred to Finance Committee, after some discussion.

From Mr. Chas. Thorne, applying for the position of Clerk of the Southern Wood Market.—Referred to Market Committee.

FINANCE.

Ald. Cronyn, Chairman, submitted the following report:—

Your Committee beg to report and recommend as follows:—

First. That the communications of Mr. George McLellan and Rev. J. Medcraft, in reference to assessment, be referred to the Court of Revision, to be taken up by that Court at its final sitting, and that all communications in regard to the assessment for the present year presented to the Council before the final sitting of the Court of Revision be referred to that Court.

Second. Your Committee subject to the Council a letter received from Henry C. P. Becher, Esq., to the Chairman of the Finance Committee, dated 10th November, 1873, and recommend that the Mayor and City Clerk have power to affix the City Seal to certificates therein referred to, and that the Mayor and Chairman of the Finance Committee have power to complete such arrangement with, and directions to Mr. Becher, in accordance with the special report to this Committee dated 7th November, 1873, and the communication of Mr. Becher as they may deem necessary, in carrying out the negotiations for the sale of debentures for £31,000 sterling.

Third. The application of the Sewing Machine Company, asking exemption from taxation, referred to your Committee, has been fully considered, and the promoters of the Company having informed the Committee that the works of the company are to be erected upon a property west of Talbot street not now in use for manufacturing purposes, your Committee recommend that the premises in actual occupation by the Sewing Machine Company, the plant and stock in trade of that company, if situated west of Talbot street, as proposed, be granted exemption from taxation for five years from first of January next, and that the necessary by-law be introduced and passed by the Council.

All of which is submitted.

The report was then unanimously adopted.

BOARD OF WORKS.

Ald. Christie submitted the following report:—

Your Committee having received the report of the City Engineer of the new side walk on Wellington street, in number 3 Ward, recommend the same to be paid.

All of which is submitted.

JOHN CHRISTIE, Chairman.

After some discussion, the report was unanimously adopted.

MARKET.

Ald. Moffat presented the following report:—

To his Worship the Mayor and Council:—

The Market Committee to whom was referred the resolution relating to the establishing of a Wood Market South of the railroad track, beg leave to report as follows:—

1st. That a market be located on Wellington, between Bathurst and Horton streets, and that a by-law be introduced accordingly this evening.

2nd. That for the present year at least, a person be appointed to take charge of said market without salary, whose fee shall be the usual one paid as at present for the measuring of wood in the market now established on Duke street.